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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

DERT Extramural Grantee Data Collection

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Section 3507(a)(1)(D) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), the National Institutes of Health (NIH) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review and approval of the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register, Vol. 76, No. 202**, on Wednesday, October 19, 2011, page 64954 and allowed 60 days for public comment. No public comments were received. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment. The National Institutes of Health may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

PROPOSED COLLECTION: *Title:* DERT Extramural Grantee Data Collection. *Type of Information*

Collection Request: NEW. *Need and Use of Information Collection:* In order to make informed management

decisions about its research programs and to demonstrate the outputs, outcomes and impacts of its research programs NIEHS will collect, analyze and report on data from extramural grantees who are currently receiving funding or who have received funding in the past on topics such as:

- Key scientific outcomes achieved through the research and the impact on the field of environmental health science
- Contribution of research findings to program goals and objectives
- Satisfaction with the program support received
- Challenges and benefits of the funding mechanism used to support the science
- Emerging research areas and gaps in the research

Information gained from this primary data collection will be used in conjunction with data from grantee progress reports and presentations at grantee meetings to inform internal programs and new funding initiatives. Outcome information to be collected includes measures of agency-funded research resulting in dissemination of findings, investigator career development, grant-funded knowledge and products, commercial products and drugs, laws, regulations and standards, guidelines and recommendations, information on patents and new drug applications and community outreach and public awareness relevant to extramural research funding and emerging areas of research. Satisfaction information to be collected includes measures of satisfaction with the type of funding or program management mechanism used, challenges and benefits with the program support received, and gaps in the research. *Frequency of Response:* Once per grantee, per NIEHS research portfolio. *Affected Public:* Current or past NIEHS grantees. *Type of Respondents:* Principal Investigators with current or past NIEHS research or training grants. The annual reporting burden is as follows: *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 600; *Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 1; *Average Burden Hours Per Response:* .5 (30 minutes); and *Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested:* 100. The annualized cost to respondents is estimated at: Approximately \$17. There are no Capital Costs to report. There are no Operating or Maintenance Costs to report.

(NOTE: The following table is acceptable for the Respondent and Burden Estimate information, if appropriate, instead of the text as shown above.)

Type of Respondents	Estimated Number of Respondents	Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hours Per Response	Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Requested
NIEHS Grantee	600	1	30 minutes	100 hours

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS: Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited on one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are

to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DIRECT COMMENTS TO OMB: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov or by fax to [202-395-6974](tel:202-395-6974), Attention: Desk Officer for NIH. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, contact Dr. Kristianna Pettibone, Evaluator, Program Analysis Branch, NIEHS, NIH, 530 Davis Dr., Room 3055, Morrisville, NC 20560, or call non-toll-free number 919 - 541-7752 or E-mail your request, including your address to: pettibonekg@niehs.nih.gov.

COMMENTS DUE DATE: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30-days of the date of this publication.

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